

IDPH Legislative Update – April 1, 2016

This week's newsletter showcases snapshots from weeks 10-12 of the 2016 Legislative Session.

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Legislative Guidelines

For the 10th week of session (March 14-18), the Senate could only consider House bills and bills on the Unfinished Business Calendar. The House can only consider Senate bills and bills on the Unfinished Business Calendar. Beginning the 11th week of session (March 21-25) and moving forward, the following are eligible for consideration:

- Bills passed by both Houses
- Ways and Means Bills
- Legalizing Acts
- Bills on the Veto Calendar
- Unfinished Business
- Committee Bills related to delayed or suspended Administrative Rules
- Bills co-sponsored by Senate and House Majority Leaders
- Appropriation Bills
- Government Oversight Bills
- Administrative Rules Review Committee Bills
- Concurrent or Simple Resolutions
- Joint Resolutions nullifying Administrative Rules

For more information about the funnel process, and previous bills that have not advanced, consult past legislative updates on the [IDPH website](#).

IDPH Policy Bill

SF 2159 Public Health Flexibility. The bill was signed by the Governor on Thursday, March 24. The Governor held a formal bill signing to highlight the importance of its passage!

Thank you to everyone who supported it including:

- Senator [Mary Jo Wilhelm](#) from Howard County, Senate Floor Manager
- Representative [Greg Forristall](#) from Pottawattamie County, House Floor Manager
- [The Iowa Public Health Association](#)
- [The Iowa Counties Public Health Association](#)
- [The American Heart Association](#)
- [Visiting Nurse Services of Iowa](#)

Finally, a special thanks to Joy Harris and Martha Gelhaus at the Department of Public Health for their hard work on this legislation and to the Public Health Advisory Council for their feedback and guidance.



Select Bills That Are Still Alive

The following bills may still be taken up by the General Assembly because they have met eligibility requirements:

Behavioral Health

SF 166 Fantasy Sports. This bill was introduced in the 2015 Legislative Session and was reassigned to the House State Government Committee when it was not taken up by the full House Chamber. On March 2 it was reassigned to a subcommittee. The subcommittee of Representatives Jake Highfill, Dennis Cohoon and Quentin Stanerson met on Tuesday, March 8. The bill passed out of subcommittee. It passed out of the full House State Government Committee by a vote of 15 to 7 on Wednesday, March 9. It was then referred to the House Ways and Means Committee due to the fines and fees included in the language.

Chronic and Infectious Disease

SF 2146 Alzheimer's Awareness (formerly SSB 3066). This bill passed out of the Senate Human Resources Committee on Tuesday, February 9 by a vote of 9 to 3. This bill was then referred to the committee on Appropriations. A subcommittee of Senators Robert Dvorsky, Julian Garrett and Amanda Ragan has been assigned. Bills in the Appropriations standing committees are exempted from the funnel deadlines.

SF 2136 Meningococcal Disease Immunizations (formerly SSB 3073). This bill passed the full Senate on Monday, February 22 by a vote of 45 to 4. It was then sent to the House and referred to the House Human Resources Committee. The bill passed the full House Human Resources Committee by a vote of 18 to 3 on March 9. An amendment was filed on Wednesday, March 16. Click [here](#) to view the amendment. It was placed on the House calendar under unfinished business on Friday, March 18.

HF 2384 Medical Cannabidiol Act Modifications (formerly HSB 607). A subcommittee of Representatives Guy Vander Linden, John Forbes and Zach Nunn met on Wednesday, February 17. The bill passed subcommittee. The bill also passed the full House Commerce Committee on Wednesday, February 17 with amendments by a vote of 17 to 6. The new bill, HF 2384, was introduced and referred to the Ways

and Means Committee. Bills in the Ways and Means standings committees are exempted from the funnel deadlines.

Healthy Homes

SF 2219 Carbon Monoxide Alarms (formerly [SSB 3017](#)). This bill passed the full Senate State Government Committee on Monday, February 15. The bill passed the full Senate on Monday, February 29 by a vote of 37 to 11. Its companion bill, **HF 2310** (formerly [HSB 539](#)), passed the full House State Government Committee on Thursday, February 11, by a vote of 19 to 2.

UPDATE: The bill passed the House on Wednesday, March 30 by a vote of 87 to 9. The House substituted SF 2219 for HF 2310 and attached an amendment to the bill. HF 2310 will return to the Senate for consideration of the House amendment.

Professional Licensure

HF 2334 Rx Authority for Psychologists (formerly [HSB 503](#)). This bill passed out of the full House Human Resources Committee on Tuesday, February 9 by a vote of 14 to 6. Its companion bill, **SF 2188** (formerly [SF 2075](#)), did not pass the full Senate after being amended by a vote of 24 to 25. However, a motion was filed to reconsider the vote on the bill. Both bills were placed on the calendar as unfinished business.

SF 2275 Natural Hair Braiding (formerly [SF 2013](#)). This bill passed out of the full Senate State Government Committee on Thursday, February 18 by a unanimous vote. This bill passed the full Senate by a unanimous vote on Monday, February 29. It was then sent to the House and referred to the House State Government Committee. The bill passed the full House State Government Committee on Wednesday, March 9 by a vote of 18 to 3. A strike-after amendment replaced the bill's language with a slightly amended version of HF 2094 that did not advance the first funnel. Click [here](#) to view the amendment. The bill has been placed under the House unfinished business calendar.

Opioid Antagonist Bills – Substance Abuse Treatment and Prevention

SF 410 Drug Overdose Prevention. This bill passed out of the full House Human Resources Committee by a unanimous vote on Thursday, February 4 with an amendment. It may now be considered by the full House. **UPDATE:** The bill was placed on the calendar under unfinished business however, with the passage of SF 2218 that deals with the same subject, this bill is unlikely to advance any further. More details are included under "Sent to the Governor" below.

Other bills of interest

SF 2113 Firework Provisions (formerly [SF 508](#)). This bill passed out of the full Senate State Government Committee with an amendment on Wednesday, February 3 by a vote of 9 to 5. The bill was referred to the Senate Ways and Means Committee for review of the penalties and fees included in the language. A subcommittee of Senators William A. Dotzler, Randy Feenstra and Janet Petersen has been assigned.

UPDATE: A subcommittee meeting was held on Thursday, March 31.

SSB 3165 Local Food Inspections. This bill was introduced on February 16 and was referred to the Senate Ways and Means Committee. A subcommittee of Senators Bill Dotzler, Herman Quirnbach and Jason Shultz met on Thursday, March 3 and passed the bill out. It is now eligible for consideration by the full Ways and Means Committee. Bills in this committee are funnel-proof.

SF 232 Tanning Facilities Regulation. This bill did not advance last session and was referred back to the House Human Resources Committee. It passed the House Human Resources this session on February 16 with an amendment to decrease the ban on tanning to age 17. It is now eligible for debate in the full House. This bill has been placed on the House calendar under unfinished business.

New Bills of Interest

Government Oversight

[SF 2305](#) Medicaid Program Improvement (formerly [SSB 3173](#)). This bill is identical to SF 2213 that died in the House earlier in session. Senate leadership reintroduced it as a Government Oversight bill so the issue would continue to be considered this session. SF 2305 passed out of the Senate Government Oversight Committee on March 17 and is now eligible for debate by the full Senate chamber. House leadership has indicated that it is working on language of its own that deals with the same subject.

[HF 2449](#) State Administrative Rulemaking Requirements (formerly [HSB 646](#)). This bill was introduced on March 23 by the House Government Oversight Committee. It was voted out of committee on Wednesday, March 30. It may now be considered by the full House chamber.

[HF 2450](#) Human Growth and Development Course Enrollment (formerly [HSB 647](#)). This bill was introduced on March 23 by the House Government Oversight Committee. It was voted out of committee on Wednesday, March 30. It may now be considered by the full House chamber.

Notable Bills That Will Not Advance

[HF 2366](#) Mental Health Advocate Duties

[SF 2297](#) Children's Mental Health and Well-Being

Sent to the Governor

The legislature has taken its final action on the following bills and they will now be sent to the Governor for his consideration:

[HF 2380](#) Naloxone/Narcan Overdose Emergency Drug (formerly [HF 2132](#)). This bill was voted out of the full House Public Safety Committee on Tuesday, February 16 by a unanimous vote. Its companion bill, **[SF 2218](#)** (formerly [SF 2008](#)) passed the Senate on Tuesday, March 8 by a unanimous vote with an amendment. It was then sent to the House and placed on the unfinished business calendar with its companion, **[HF 2380](#)**. **UPDATE:** **[HF 2380](#)** was substituted for **[SF 2218](#)** and was passed by the full House by a vote of 93 to 2 on Thursday, March 24.

[SF 2102](#) Prescription Drug Monitoring Program/Board of Pharmacy Bill (formerly [SSB 3003](#)). This bill passed the full Senate on Monday, February 22 by a unanimous vote. It was then sent to the House and assigned to the House Human Resources Committee. It passed the full Human Resources Committee on Tuesday, March 3 by a unanimous vote. **UPDATE:** This bill passed the full House on Tuesday, March 15 by a unanimous vote.

[SF 2116](#) Controlled Substances Scheduling. This bill passed the full Senate on Monday, February 22 by a unanimous vote. It was then sent to the House and referred to the House Public Safety Committee. The bill passed the full House Public Safety Committee on Wednesday, March 9 by a unanimous vote. **UPDATE:** This bill passed the full House chamber on March 30 by a vote of 97 to 0.

[SF 2191](#) Department of Public Safety Office Human Trafficking (formerly [SF 2082](#)). This bill passed the full Senate by a unanimous vote on Tuesday, February 23. It passed the full House by a unanimous vote on Wednesday, March 16.

SF 2258 Child Welfare/Human Trafficking/Department of Human Services Bill (formerly [SSB 3114](#)). This bill passed the full Senate with an amendment on Monday, February 29 by a unanimous vote. It was then sent to the House and referred to the House Human Resources Committee. The bill passed the full House Human Resources Committee with an amendment on Tuesday, March 8 by a unanimous vote. **UPDATE:** This bill passed the full House with an amendment on Tuesday, March 15 by a unanimous vote. It was sent back to the Senate for their approval of the amended bill. The Senate concurred with the House amendment on March 22.

SF 2144 Behavioral Health Information Disclosure (formerly [SF 2032](#)). This bill passed the full Senate on Monday, February 22 by a vote of 47 to 1. The bill was then sent to the House and referred to the House Human Resources Committee. It passed the full House Human Resources Committee on Thursday, March 3. **UPDATE:** This bill passed the full House on Tuesday, March 15 by a unanimous vote.

Signed by the Governor

HF 2146 Self-Dispensing Lottery Tickets (formerly [HSB 540](#)). This bill passed the full House on Tuesday, February 22 by a vote of 87 to 10. It was then sent over to the Senate and referred to the Senate State Government committee. The bill passed the full Senate State Government Committee on Wednesday, March 9 by a vote of 13 to 1. **UPDATE:** It passed the full Senate on Tuesday, March 15 by a vote of 39 to 10. The bill was signed into law by the Governor on Wednesday, March 30.

HF 2377 Rural Iowa Primary Care (formerly [HF 2010](#)). This bill passed the full House by a unanimous vote on Tuesday, March 1. It was then sent to the Senate and assigned to the Senate Education Committee. It passed the full Education Committee on Thursday, March 10 by a unanimous vote. It passed the full Senate on Wednesday, March 15 by a unanimous vote. **UPDATE:** It was signed into law by the Governor on March 30.

HF 2387 Dental Board Exams (formerly [HSB 532](#)). This bill passed the full House Human Resources Committee on Wednesday, February 17 by unanimous vote. It passed the full House on Tuesday, March 1 by a vote of 97 to 1. It was then sent to the Senate and referred to the Senate Human Resources Committee. It passed the full Senate Human Resources Committee on Wednesday, March 9 by a unanimous vote. **UPDATE:** This bill passed the full Senate on Wednesday, March 16 by a unanimous vote. It was signed into law by the Governor on Wednesday, March 20.

Other Information

- To review any report filed with the General Assembly by executive branch agencies, including IDPH, please click [here](#).
- The [Iowa General Assembly](#) website is a great source of legislative information. Take a few minutes to check out the wealth of resources available.
- The [Legislative Update](#) is also posted on the IDPH website.
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